

IN THE CLAIMS

1. - 14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) Sanitary outflow armature (1, 2) comprising a liquid guide (3) that opens into a fitting outlet (4), in an area of which a plumbing functional unit in the form of an insertion cartridge (5) is provided, wherein an inner diameter of the liquid guide (3) is adapted to the insertion cartridge (5) at least in an opening area of the fitting outlet (4), and the insertion cartridge (5) ~~can~~ be inserted into the fitting outlet (4) from an opening side and is held removably therein, at least a predominant portion of a longitudinal extension of the insertion cartridge is received within the fitting outlet (4).

16. (Currently amended) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) is situated with ~~at least a predominant part of a~~ the longitudinal extension thereof completely in the fitting outlet (4) so that only an outflow end surface is directly visible.

17. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) is held in the fitting outlet (4) by an intermediate holder (6) that is sleeve-shaped.

18. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein an intermediate holder (6) that can be placed into the fitting outlet from the opening side is held removably or non-removably in the fitting outlet (4).

19. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) or an intermediate holder (6) can be inserted into

the fitting outlet (4) up to an insertion stop.

20. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein an intermediate holder (6) is held in the fitting outlet by at least one of a glued, clamped, locking, and screw connection, and/or by at least one of pressing, clutching, and wedging.

21. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein an intermediate holder (6) is sealed peripherally against an inner peripheral wall of the fitting outlet (4).

22. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) is held in the fitting outlet (4) or in an intermediate holder (6) by a clamped, locking, or screw connection.

23. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) is sealed against an intermediate holder (6) or against an inner peripheral wall of the fitting outlet (4).

24. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein at least one annular seal (11) is provided for a seal between the insertion cartridge (5) and/or an intermediate holder (6) on the one hand and the Sanitary outflow armature (1, 2) on the other hand.

25. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 24, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) or the intermediate holder (6) has an outer thread that can be screwed into an inner thread in the fitting outlet (4), and the

outer thread and the inner thread are dimensioned and situated such that when the insertion cartridge and/or the intermediate holder are screwed onto one another, the threads initially engage one another in a relative position of the Sanitary outflow armature (1) on the one hand and the insertion cartridge (5) and/or intermediate holder (6) on the other hand in which the annular seal (11) provided on an outer periphery of the insertion cartridge or of the intermediate holder does not yet make frictional contact with the Sanitary outflow armature (1, 2).

26. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) comprises a multi-part cartridge housing (19), and a clamping, locking, and/or screw connection is provided on a housing part (20) of the cartridge housing (19), situated at a flow outlet side, for the fastening of the cartridge housing (19) in the fitting outlet (4).

27. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the cartridge housing of the insertion cartridge (5) and/or of an intermediate holder (6) has a contoured outer periphery and/or a contoured outflow end surface, constructed as a tool engagement surface for an insertion tool.

28. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 27, wherein the outflow end surface of the cartridge housing of the insertion cartridge (5) and/or of the intermediate holder (6) has a contouring made up of projections (25) and recesses (24), such that the recesses (24) of the insertion cartridge (5) held in the Sanitary outflow armature (1) and/or of the intermediate holder (6) act as a tool engagement surface for the projections (25) of another cartridge housing (5') that can be used as an insertion tool, and/or of another intermediate holder.

29. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to claim 15, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) and/or an intermediate holder (6) are connected in one piece with at least one seal (30) that forms a seal between the insertion cartridge (5) and/or the intermediate holder (6) on the one hand and the Sanitary outflow armature (1, 2) on the other hand.

30. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 29, wherein the seal (30), and the component of the insertion cartridge (5) and/or of the intermediate holder (6) connected in one piece with the seal (30), are made of the same material.

31. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 15, wherein at least one of the outflow-side final edge area of the insertion cartridge (5) and of an intermediate holder (6) is fashioned as a sealing profile.

32. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing profile has at least one surface seal and at least one lip seal.

33. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the insertion cartridge (5) and/or the intermediate holder (6) has at a flow inlet side an insertion stop (32) that in its position of use limits a deformation of the sealing profile.

34. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing profile has at least one seal having a sealing profile base that is formed as an insertion stop (32).

35. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 34, wherein the insertion stop (32) is situated adjacent to the sealing profile in a radial direction.

36. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 34, wherein at least one of the sealing profile and the insertion stop work together with a counterstop on an inner periphery of the Sanitary outflow armature that limits the inner diameter of the liquid guide.

37. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing profile has at least one annular peripheral sealing lip (31).

38. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing profile has at least two annular peripheral sealing lips that become effective one after the other with increasing insertion pressure that acts on the insertion cartridge and/or on the intermediate holder.

39. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing lips have different heights.

40. (Previously presented) Sanitary outflow armature according to Claim 31, wherein the sealing lips have stepped heights.